

In the Claims:

1. (currently amended) Method for avoiding misinterpretation of an image displayed on a matrix display due to defective pixels in the matrix display, the method comprising:

obtaining information on the presence and the location of the defective pixels in the said matrix display, and

on the basis of this information,

modulating the operation of the said matrix display so as to indicate, emphasize or warn for the presence of said defective pixels on the actual display of said image, or

adapting the image content of the defective pixels or of pixels in the neighborhood of the defective pixels so, as to indicate, emphasize or warn for the presence of said defective pixels in a copy of said image.

2. (original) Method according to claim 1, wherein, the copy is a hard copy or an electronic copy.

3. (original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the information is obtained from data previously stored in a memory device.

4. (original) Method according to claim 3, comprising, while displaying the image on the matrix display, supplying information on defective pixels to a user, based on the stored data.

5. (currently amended) Method according to claim 1, wherein, indicating, emphasizing or warning for the presence of at least one defective pixel comprises visually marking the at least one defective pixel on the said matrix display.

6. (original) Method according to claim 1, furthermore comprising shifting the displayed image so that defective pixels are not located in a region of interest.

7. (original) Method according to, claim 1, furthermore comprising shifting the displayed image so that a defective pixel is located in a flat image area.

8. (original) Method according to claim 1, wherein the information on the presence of defective pixels is obtained by means of an image capturing device.

9. (currently amended) A device for avoiding misinterpretation of an image displayed on a matrix display due to defective pixels in the matrix display, the device comprising:

an information retrieval device for obtaining information on the presence and the location of the defective pixels in the said matrix display, and

a modulating device using this information

for modulating the operation of said the said matrix display so as to indicate, emphasize or warn for the presence of said defective pixels on the actual display of said image, or for adapting the image content of the defective pixels or of pixels in the neighborhood of the defective pixels so as to indicate, emphasize or warn for the presence of said defective pixels in a copy of said image.

10. (original) A device according to claim 9, wherein the information retrieval device comprises a memory device where defective pixel information data is stored.

11. (currently amended) A device according to claim 10, comprising an information supply device for supplying information on defective pixels to a user, based on the stored data, while displaying the image on the said matrix display

12. (currently amended) A device according to claim 9, furthermore comprising marking means for visually marking the defective pixels on the on said matrix display.

13. (original) A device according to claim 9, furthermore, comprising a shifting device for shifting the displayed image so that defective pixels are not located in a region of interest.

14. (original) A device according to claim 9, furthermore comprising a shifting device for shifting the displayed image so that a defective pixel is located in a flat image area

the matrix display, the control unit being adapted for controlling the obtaining of information on the presence, the location and characteristics of the defect pixels in the said matrix display, and for controlling, on the basis of this information, modulation of the operation of the said matrix display so as to indicate emphasize or warn for the presence of said defective pixels on the actual display of said image, or adaptation of the image content of the defective pixels or of pixels in the neighborhood of the defective pixels so as to indicate, emphasize or warn for the presence of said defective pixels in a copy of said image.